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(U) Long Beach - Man Sentenced for Role in Prison Drug-Smuggling Scheme

(U) Deandre "Casper D" McIntosh, 44, was convicted last year in downtown Los Angeles of one federal count of conspiracy to distribute methamphetamine. McIntosh was found guilty alongside Lamont "Mont" Devault, 49, a convicted murderer serving a life sentence at Centinela State Prison in Imperial County, who used a smuggled cell phone to run the scheme with the help of his fellow inmate/co-defendant. According to evidence, Devault's son supplied the drugs to co-defendant and then-prison cook Lance "Droop" Medina, 34, of El Centro, so that Medina could smuggle the narcotics into the prison in his underwear.

SOURCE: 9 February 2021, [NBC News](#)

(U) San Luis Obispo - Jewish Fraternity Vandalized with Swastikas

(U) Police are investigating after swastikas and other anti-Semitic graffiti were spray-painted on a Jewish fraternity house, Alpha Epsilon Pi, at California Polytechnic State University in San Luis Obispo, according to Cal Poly president Jeffrey Armstrong. The interim police chief Jeff said the department's hate crime investigator is looking into the matter.

SOURCE: 9 February 2021, [San Diego Union Tribune](#)

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(U) District of Columbia - Man Charged in US Capitol Riot Worked for FBI, Had Security Clearance

(U) Washington - Thomas Caldwell, who authorities believe holds a leadership role in the far-right Oath Keepers militia extremist group, worked as section chief for the FBI from 2009 to 2010 after retiring from the Navy, his lawyer, Thomas Plofchan, wrote in a motion urging the judge to release him from jail while he awaits trial. The defense said Caldwell, who has denied being part of the Oath Keepers, has held a top-secret security clearance since 1979.

SOURCE: 9 February 2021, [Global News](#)

(U) Illinois - Coded Message Shows Gangster Disciples Founder Should Stay in Super-Max, Feds Say

(U) Chicago - Federal prosecutors who are fighting Gangster Disciples founder Larry Hoover's bid for a break on his prison sentence say a "board member" of the street gang tried to communicate with him through a coded message in super-max prison in which he referred to Hoover as "chief." Hoover is still a "revered and inspirational leader" in the gang, according to authorities. "Granting Hoover a discretionary reduction in his sentence would send a shockwave through the community and embolden gang members who still look to Hoover as their inspirational leader," according to an official.

SOURCE: 9 February 2021, [Chicago Sun Times](#)

(U) Massachusetts - Reports Over 1,200 Wasted Coronavirus Vaccine Doses

(U) Boston - More than 1,200 doses of the coronavirus vaccine have gone to waste in Massachusetts, according to state officials. As of Friday, 1,096 Moderna doses and 176 Pfizer doses have been reported as wasted, for a total of 1,272 doses. That is a vaccine wastage percentage of 0.13% for the 960,100

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COVID vaccine doses that have been shipped to Massachusetts, according to the COVID-19 Response Command Center.

SOURCE: 9 February 2021, [CBS News](#)

(U) Minnesota - Multiple People Shot at Medical Clinic; One Detained

(U) Buffalo - Four people were wounded and one has died after an elderly man opened fire inside a Minneapolis-area health clinic on Tuesday – law enforcement officials described the gunman as a disgruntled former patient. Police believe he acted alone in the attack. Sheriff Sean Deringer: “I will identify the suspect as 67-year-old Gregory Paul Ulrich of Buffalo...we believe Ulrich did act alone.”

SOURCE: 9 February 2021, [Associated Press](#)

(U) Utah - Man Arrested for Allegedly Making Bomb Threat on Amtrak Train

(U) Salt Lake City - A man is in custody for allegedly making a bomb threat on an Amtrak train near Salt Lake City Sunday afternoon. According to charging documents 45-year-old Demond Oran Alexander admitted to writing a note stating, “My name is bombman. This train will explode upon arrival. Salt Lake City,” and dropped it in front of the conductor of the train. Alexander was arrested on charges including making a false alarm; weapon of mass destruction-related; and threat of terrorism.

SOURCE: 9 February 2021, [ABC News](#)

(U) Virginia - Mexico-Based Drug Cartels Using TikTok to Entice Young People into Organized Crime

(U) Richmond - In a one-minute TikTok video last fall, drug traffickers on a rigid inflatable boat yelled to the pilot to speed up as a Customs Surveillance Service vessel of Spain took chase. The viral video, which got more than 1 million views, was a real, high-speed chase. Cartels have long used social media to recruit new members, glamorize their criminal lifestyle, and shock and intimidate their enemies, said Howard Campbell, anthropologist, and drug expert at the University of Texas at El Paso. “It has proven to be an effective strategy,” he said. “The use of TikTok is just the latest phase of this phenomenon.”

SOURCE: 9 February 2021, [USA Today](#)

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(U) Canada - Police Say Six People Charged with Human Trafficking 80 People from Mexico

(U) Hamilton - Police say the foreign nationals entered Canada as visitors through airports in Toronto, Montreal, and Hamilton, and then worked through employment agencies operated by the accused. A joint investigation by Mounties and the Canada Border Services Agency says these workers were being exploited. Police say during searches in July and September of 2019 police found about 80 foreign nationals living in places in Hamilton and Milton, infested with bed bugs, cockroaches, and other vermin.

SOURCE: 9 February 2021, [The Star](#)

(U) Mali - 20 Peacekeepers Injured in Mali Attack, UN Says

(U) Kerena - Around 20 United Nations peacekeepers were wounded, including several seriously injured in an attack on their base in central Mali on Wednesday, a UN spokesperson said, offering a provisional toll. Militants attacked a temporary base near Kerena, a village in the war-torn center of the Sahel state, at around 7 a.m. According to Olivier Salgado, the spokesperson for the UN's 13,000-strong MINUSMA mission in Mali, the position was targeted by direct and indirect fire. Authorities have not said who was responsible for the attack.

SOURCE: 9 February 2021, [Daily Sabah](#)

(U) Uganda - Suspected Armed Extremists Kill 10 Villagers

(U) Beni - Attackers killed around 10 people in an overnight raid on a village in eastern Democratic

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Republic of Congo, local authorities and the army said on Tuesday, blaming fighters from a Ugandan Islamist armed group. The Allied Democratic Forces (ADF), a Ugandan armed group active in eastern Congo since the 1990s, has committed a succession of brutal reprisal attacks against civilians since the army began an operation against it in late 2019. The group killed around 850 people last year, according to the UN.

SOURCE: 9 February 2021, [Reuters](#)

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